

COMMERCIAL SECTOR LOBSTER WORK GROUP

Consolidated Appropriations Act
(CARES ACT 2.0) – FISHERIES

July 1, 2021

(Supports same activities as Sec. 12005 of the Coronavirus
Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act)

TASK Programs

- Fishery-related Infrastructure (repairs, or improve fish distribution, or storage based on mitigating impacts of COVID)
 - Funding for a program/infrastructure can go to an entity with losses <35% if increases the resiliency and benefits the broader fishing community and not just that one entity
 - Suggested programs
 - Lobster pound expansion at Yankee Fisherman's Co-op
 - Portsmouth commercial pier concept designs for building improvement

TASK Programs

- Fishery-related Programs (Programs that mitigate the impacts of Covid-19 or add resiliency to fisheries and fishing communities)
 - Seafood marketing programs
 - Fishery related training programs
 - Seafood educational programs
 - Promotion and development of seafood products
 - Pilot programs (new market initiatives for underutilized spp.)
 - Resiliency – e.g., add to NH State Permit Bank, Revolving Loan Fund (RLF), etc.
 - Cannot reimburse for Covid-19 expenses (ppe, modifications, pay incentives, etc.)
 - Other community seafood initiatives

Next Steps for Workgroup

- Draft Strawman Plan
- Send Survey to NH Licensed Commercial Lobster
 - Email or paper
- 3rd Meeting to Review Survey Responses
- Finalize Spend Plan
 - Associate Funding to Spend Plan

Next Steps for NHF&G

- Draft Spend Plan for all CARES Associated Fisheries
- Send Spend Plan to ASMFC and NOAA Fisheries for Approval
- Start the Qualification Process
- Upon Approval by NHF&G:
 - ASMFC will distribute individual funds to NH CARES qualifiers (before 9/30/2021)
 - Programs – May be able to initiate after 9/30

HISTORY CARES 1.0

Sector	Allocation	Approved Funds Applied For	Funds Paid	% Funds Paid	\$ Loss Remaining	\$ Late Applications	Total \$ Loss Remaining
Commercial	\$1,066,848.00	\$1,343,717.76	\$1,066,847.64	79%	\$276,870.12	\$39,139.00	\$316,009.12
<i>Lobster and Crab/Aquaculture</i>	<i>\$1,002,837.00</i>	<i>\$929,611.13</i>	<i>\$929,611.13</i>	<i>100%</i>		<i>\$19,914.00</i>	<i>\$19,914.00</i>
<i>Commercial Saltwater</i>	<i>\$64,010.86</i>	<i>\$414,106.63</i>	<i>\$137,236.51</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>\$276,870.12</i>	<i>\$19,225.00</i>	<i>\$296,095.12</i>
Seafood Sector	\$1,479,220.00	\$2,843,728.78	\$1,479,220.21	52%	\$1,364,508.57		\$1,364,508.57
For-Hire	\$114,400.10	\$229,994.83	\$114,400.12	50%	\$115,594.71		\$115,594.71
Totals	\$2,660,468.10	\$4,417,441.37	\$2,660,467.97		\$1,756,973.40	\$39,139.00	\$1,796,112.40